

# WEST TEXAS COLLECTION

## Emil Rassman Collection

2,000 volumes and 18 linear inches

**Record ID:** A-19

**Donor:** Emil Rassman

**Acquisition:** Gift, 1976

**Access:** Open for research

**Restrictions:** None

**Citation:** Emil Rassman Collection, West Texas Collection, Angelo State University, San Angelo, TX

### Administrative/Biographical History:

Emil Rassman, a resident of Midland, TX until his death in 1983, was born in Indianapolis, IN 17 July 1919. After serving in World War II he received a law degree from University of Texas at Austin. He married Annie DeMontel of Wichita Falls, TX.

Rassman served on the Board of Regents for The Texas State University System including the local committee for Angelo State University. In addition to the Board of Regents for the West Texas Chamber of Commerce, he was active in the Permian Basin Petroleum Museum and other civic and service organizations.

### Scope and Content:

Collection includes 2,000 volumes including many scarce books and pamphlets on Texas history, the American Southwest and the Civil War and a substantial collection on Robert E. Lee. Some books are located in the general stacks and some in the West Texas Collection. Housed in the archives are five volumes created for Rassman when he served as president of the West Texas Chamber of Commerce. They include the organization's publication, newspaper clippings and other memorabilia and information on the organization. A book list is located in the Rassman file.